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SUBJECT: CARETAS RIDICULES PERU'S CIA SYNDROME

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1. JANUARY 16 EDITION OF POPULAR, INDEPENDENT CARETAS MAGAZINE CARRIES ARTICLE ENTITLED "THE CIA SYNDROME". ARTICLE LAMPOONS TENDENCY OF MILITARY GOVERNMENT SUPPORTERS TO SEE CIA BEHIND EVERY PERUVIAN BUSH.

2. WITHOUT MENTIONING PRESIDENT VELASCO'S NOVEMBER 13, 1974 PRESS CONFERENCE ALLEGATION (REFTEL A) THAT MILGOV QUIETLY EXPELLED ERNEST SIRACUSA AND TWO OTHER EMBOFFS IN 1969, CARETAS CONTRADICTS VELASCO BY QUOTING FROM HIS AUGUST 25, 1971 PRESS CONFERENCE. IN IT, THE PRESIDENT DENIED THAT THERE WERE ANY INDICATIONS OF CIA INTERVENTION IN PERU.

3. CARETAS DEVOTES MAJOR PORTION OF ARTICLE TO DEBUNKING EAST GERMAN "WHO'S WHO IN CIA" AND DECEMBER 20 ALLEGATIONS IN EXPRESO(REFEL B) THAT AMBASSADOR DEAN AND FOUR EMBOFFS ARE CONNECTED WITH CIA. ARTICLE NOTES THAT "WHO'S WHO IN CIA" FORGOT TO LIST WILLIAM COLBY WHO WORKED FOR CIA FOR 30 YEARS. CARETAS WONDERS WHETHER "WHO'S WHO" MIGHT NOT HAVE BEEN

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AUTHORED BY THE CIA TO HIDE THE NAMES OF REAL AGENTS OR

POSSIBLY WRITTEN IN SOME MOSCOW BASEMENT.

4. CARETAS OBSERVES THAT: "WHO'S WHO' AUTHOR, DR. MADER, ALSO FORGOT THE NAME OF ERNEST SIRACUSA WHO, ACCORDING TO RECENT STORIES, WAS UP TO NO GOOD (HIZO DE LA SUYAS) IN PERU UNTIL THEY TRANSFERRED HIM, IN 1969, TO BOLIVIA, AT WHICH TIME HE WAS GIVEN A FAREWELL BANQUET BY AMBASSADOR ALEJANDRO DEUSTUA, OF OUR FOREIGN MINISTRY, AT THE CLUB NACIONAL."

5. ON THE OTHER HAND, CARETAS CONTINUES, THE NAME OF THE PRESENT AMBASSADOR OF THE UNITED STATES, ROBERT W. DEAN, IS IN THE BOOK. BUT IN THE 13 LINES THAT DR. MADER DEDICATES TO DEAN, THERE IS NOT ONE INDICATION THAT DEAN WAS CONNECTED WITH THE CIA. DEAN HELD DIFFERENT POSTS, WHICH ARE SPECIFIED YEAR BY YEAR, IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND ITS INTELLIGENCE SECTION (INR) AND WAS STATE'S REPRESENTATIVE IN THE OFFICE OF ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF FOR INTELLIGENCE IN THE ARMY. "BUT IT APPEARS, IF YOU ARE TO BELIEVE DR. MADER'S WORDS, THAT HE WAS NEVER ASSOCIATED WITH THE CIA."

6. CARETAS ASSUMES THAT THE U.S. CONSULTED WITH PERU BEFORE NAMING ROBERT DEAN AS AMBASSADOR. CARETAS SPECULATES THAT IT IS REDICULOUS TO THINK THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTRY WAS UNAWARE OF "WHO'S WHO IN THE CIA". THE MAGAZINE ALSO REJECTS THE THOUGHT THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTRY FOR ITS OWN REASONS IGNORED AMBASSADOR DEAN'S BACKGROUND. CARETAS CONCLUDES THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTRY AND THE GOVERNMENT SIMPLY BELIEVE THAT "WHO'S WHO" IS LUDICROUS AS ARE THE REVELATIONS OF A NEWSPAPER (EXPRESO), EVEN IF IT IS DIRECTED BY AN AMBASSADOR (FORMER PERUVIAN AMBASSADOR TO BRAZIL, RUIZ-ELDREDGE).

7. TEXT OF ARTICLE WILL BE POUCHED TO DEPARTMENT AND MONTEVIDEO. BARNEBEY

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